

**FAIRNESS HEARING  
BEFORE JUDGE WALTER H. RICE**

**Case Nos. 3:19cv58**

**Date: July 5, 2022**

**Case Caption: Mary Donofrio, etc., et al. v. Auto-Owners (Mutual) Insurance Company**

**Court Reporter: Debra Futrell**

**Courtroom Deputy: Tisha Parker**

**Plaintiff Counsel: Erik Peterson, Steve Whetstone**

**Defendant Counsel: Matthew Bakota, Pete Schwingler**

**PROCEEDINGS: Settlement Fairness Hearing held on docket numbers 28 and 29,  
Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement and Supplemental  
Memorandum Supporting Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement**

PL	DF	Item	Attorney	Exam	Time	Exhibit		
						Identified	Offered	Admitted
		Court convened - Statement by the Court			2:30 2:30			
X		Statement by counsel for plaintiffs	Peterson		2:34			
	X	Statement by counsel for defendant	Schwinger		2:37			
		The Court states it is satisfied with the notice used			2:38			
X		Statement by counsel for plaintiffs Statement by the Court Further statement by counsel for plaintiffs	Peterson		2:39 2:44 2:45			
	X	Statement by counsel for defendant	Schwinger		2:48			
		Statement by the Court			2:49			
X		Statement by counsel for plaintiffs	Peterson		2:49			
	X	Statement by counsel for defendant	Schwinger		2:51			
		The Court finds that the request for attorneys' fees is reasonable			2:51			

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X		Statement by counsel for plaintiffs	Peterson		2:51			
		The Court finds that this settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate to the class as a whole and approves the settlement			2:52			
		Statement by the Court			2:53			
		Court recessed			2:54			